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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **TANAKA, Yoshihiro**

Group Art Unit: 3633

Serial No.: 10/588,499

Examiner: **HERRING, Brent W.**

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For: **SHEARING FORCE REINFORCED STRUCTURE AND MEMBER**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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July 9, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated **April 10, 2009**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.